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TO : Chief, Industrial Division, ORR

FROM : Chief, Military Economics Branch, D/I

SUBJECT: Activity Report for March 1959

DATE: 2 April 1959

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## 1. Status of Branch Projects 25X1A9a

25X1B4d 39.2380, [REDACTED] Used for the Allocation of Soviet Military Expenditures [REDACTED]

25X1D1a This project is in its final stages of revision and review. In this process a difficulty has arisen relative to the interpretation of [REDACTED] material. This problem cannot be resolved until next week. Perhaps two-thirds of the final draft has been typed.

39.2381, Soviet Military Manpower, 1947-1958 [REDACTED] 25X1A9a

The draft for branch review is expected to be available shortly.

39.2382, Soviet Military Personnel Pay [REDACTED] 25X1A9a

The work on this project is in final stages of revision and review. Review has been delayed by work done on NIE 11-6-59 and on the article number paper above. About one-half the final draft is typed.

25X1A9a 39.2383, Soviet Military Prices and Ruble-Dollar Ratios [REDACTED] 25X1A9a

Although the time of the responsible analyst has been diverted to other projects, it still appears possible to meet the scheduled deadline.

39.2384, Soviet Military Expenditures, 1947-63 [REDACTED] 25X1A9a

Work is continuing on schedule.

## 2. Status of Support Projects

00.2416, Gaps in Information Requirements

This project was formally transmitted.

30.2044, Guided Missile Collection Support

This project has been submitted to I/GM.

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30.2201, Soviet Military Expenditures Through 1964 ✓

Preliminary work on this project is underway.

30.2455, Value of Military Materials Exported by the Sino-Soviet Bloc to Underdeveloped Countries, 1955-1958

Delays in receiving contributions, plus the fact that the internal deadline was inadvertently stated as that to St/PR, are likely to occasion a formal request for an extension of the deadline. ✓

30.2461, ORR Contribution to NIE 11-6-59: Soviet Science and Technology ✓

A rough draft has been furnished to OSI. Internal coordination of the project is due for completion on 3 April.

3. Changes in Estimates

None.

4. Relationships with Other Components

a. 25X1A9a [redacted] discussed some aspects of military expenditure estimates with Dr. Possony, AFCIN-Y. ✓

25X1X7 b. Members of the Branch met with 25X1X7 [redacted] and 25X1X7 [redacted] to discuss at length various aspects of Soviet military manpower and expenditures. ✓

25X1A9a c. 25X1D1a [redacted] briefed representatives of several components on several military expenditure problems. Dr. Possony and Col. Wolfe from AFCIN-Y also attended the meeting. 25X1A9a ✓

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